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# *Daily Digest*

## Highlights

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

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## House of Representatives

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1199)

H.R. 3694, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. Signed October 20, 1998. (P.L. 105-272)

H.J. Res. 137, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1999. Signed October 20, 1998. (P.L. 105-273)

H.R. 4566, to make technical and clarifying amendments to the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997. Signed October 21, 1998. (P.L. 105-274)

H.R. 4112, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. Signed October 21, 1998. (P.L. 105-275)

H.R. 4194, making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban

Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999. October 21, 1998. (P.L. 105-276)

H.R. 4328, making omnibus consolidated and emergency supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1999. Signed October 21, 1998. (P.L. 105-277)

H.R. 2616, to amend titles VI and X of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to improve and expand charter schools. Signed October 22, 1998. (P.L. 105-278)

H.R. 1659, to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of private mineral interests within the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument mandated by the 1982 Act that established the Monument. Signed October 23, 1998. (P.L. 105-279)

H.R. 2411, to provide for a land exchange involving the Cape Cod National Seashore and to extend the authority for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission. Signed October 26, 1998. (P.L. 105-280)

H.R. 2886, to provide for a demonstration project in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, under which a private contractor will perform multiple resource management activities for that unit of the National Forest System. Signed October 26, 1998. (P.L. 105-281)

H.R. 3796, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the administrative site for the Rogue River National Forest and use the proceeds for the construction or improvement of offices and support buildings for the Rogue River National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management. Signed October 26, 1998. (P.L. 105-282)

H.R. 4081, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Arkansas. Signed October 26, 1998. (P.L. 105-283)

H.R. 4284, to authorize the Government of India to establish a memorial to honor Mahatma Gandhi in the District of Columbia. Signed October 26, 1998. (P.L. 105-284)

S. 2206, to amend the Head Start Act, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, and the Community Services Block Grant Act to reauthorize and make improvements to those Acts, to establish demonstration projects that provide an opportunity for persons with limited means to accumulate assets. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-285)

H.R. 8, to amend the Clean Air Act to deny entry into the United States of certain foreign motor vehicles that do not comply with State laws governing motor vehicles emissions. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-286)

H.R. 624, to amend the Armored Car Industry Reciprocity Act of 1993 to clarify certain requirements and to improve the flow of interstate commerce. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-287)

H.R. 1021, to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-288)

H.R. 1197, to amend title 35, United States Code, to protect patent owners against the unauthorized sale of plant parts taken from plants illegally reproduced. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-289)

H.R. 2186, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-290)

H.R. 2370, to amend the Organic Act of Guam for the purposes of clarifying the local judicial structure and the office of Attorney General. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-291)

H.R. 2431, to express United States foreign policy with respect to, and to strengthen United States advocacy on behalf of, individuals persecuted in foreign countries on account of religion; to authorize United States actions in response to violations of religious freedom in foreign countries; and to establish an Ambassador at Large for International Religious Freedom within the Department of State, a Commission on International Religious Freedom, and a Special

Advisor on International Religious Freedom within the National Security Council. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-292)

H.R. 2795, to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-293)

H.R. 3069, to extend the Advisory Council on California Indian Policy to allow the Advisory Council to advise Congress on the implementation of the proposals and recommendations of the Advisory Council. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-294)

H.R. 4079, to authorize the construction of temperature control devices at Folsom Dam in California. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-295)

H.R. 4166, to amend the Idaho Admission Act regarding the sale or lease of school land. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-296)

S. 53, to require the general application of the antitrust laws to major league baseball. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-297)

S. 505, to amend the provisions of title 17, United States Code, with respect to the duration of copyright. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-298)

S. 1298, to designate a Federal building located in Florence, Alabama, as the "Justice John McKinley Federal Building". Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-299)

S. 1892, to provide that a person closely related to a judge of a court exercising judicial power under article III of the United States Constitution (other than the Supreme Court) may not be appointed as a judge of the same court. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-300)

S. 1976, to increase public awareness of the plight of victims of crime with developmental disabilities, to collect data to measure the magnitude of the problem, and to develop strategies to address the safety and justice needs of victims of crime with developmental disabilities. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-301)

S. 2235, to amend part Q of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to encourage the use of school resource officers. Signed October 27, 1998. (P.L. 105-302)

H.R. 1702, to encourage the development of a commercial space industry in the United States. Signed October 28, 1998. (P.L. 105-303)

H.R. 2281, to amend title 17, United States Code, to implement the World Intellectual Property Organization Copyright Treaty and Performances and Phonograms Treaty. Signed October 28, 1998. (P.L. 105-304)

H.R. 3332, to amend the High-Performance Computing Act of 1991 to authorize appropriations

for fiscal years 1999 and 2000 for the Next Generation Internet program, to require the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet to monitor and give advice concerning the development and implementation of the Next Generation Internet program and report to the President and the Congress on its activities. Signed October 28, 1998. (P.L. 105-305)

H.R. 4558, to make technical amendments to clarify the provision of benefits for noncitizens, and to improve the provision of unemployment insurance, child support, and supplemental security income benefits. Signed October 28, 1998. (P.L. 105-306)

S. 2468, designate the Biscayne National Park visitor center as the Dante Fascell Visitor Center at Biscayne National Park. Signed October 29, 1998. (P.L. 105-307)

H.R. 700, to remove the restriction on the distribution of certain revenues from the Mineral Springs parcel to certain members of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-308)

H.R. 1274, to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-309)

H.R. 1756, to amend chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, to require the development and implementation by the Secretary of the Treasury of a national money laundering and related financial crimes strategy to combat money laundering and related financial crimes. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-310)

H.R. 2675, to provide for the Office of Personnel Management to conduct a study and submit a report to Congress on the provision of certain options for universal life insurance coverage and additional death and dismemberment insurance under chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, to improve the administration of such chapter. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-311)

H.R. 2807, to clarify restrictions under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act on baiting and to facilitate acquisitions of migratory bird habitat. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-312)

H.R. 3055, to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reservation to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-313)

H.R. 3494, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect children from sexual abuse and exploitation. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-314)

H.R. 3528, to amend title 28, United States Code, with respect to the use of alternative dispute resolution processes in United States district courts. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-315)

H.R. 3687, to authorize prepayment of amounts due under a water reclamation project contract for the Canadian River Project, Texas. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-316)

H.R. 3903, to provide for an exchange of lands located near Gustavus, Alaska. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-317)

H.R. 4151, to amend chapter 47 of title 18, United States Code, relating to identity fraud. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-318)

H.R. 4293, to establish a cultural and training program for disadvantaged individuals from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-319)

H.R. 4309, to provide a comprehensive program of support for victims of torture. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-320)

H.R. 4326, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal lands located within or adjacent to the Rogue River National Forest and to clarify the authority of the Bureau of Land Management to sell and exchange other Federal lands in Oregon. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-321)

H.R. 4337, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the State of Maryland for a pilot program to develop measures to eradicate or control nutria and restore marshland damaged by nutria. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-322)

H.R. 4660, A bill to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide rewards for information leading to the arrest or conviction of any individual for the commission of an act, or conspiracy to act, of international terrorism, narcotics related offenses, or for serious violations of international humanitarian law relating to the Former Yugoslavia. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-323)

H.R. 4679, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the circumstances in which a substance is considered to be a pesticide chemical for purposes of such Act. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-324)

S. 231, to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-325)

S. 890, to dispose of certain Federal properties located in Dutch John, Utah, and to assist the local government in the interim delivery of basic services to the Dutch John community. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-326)

S. 1333, to amend the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965 to allow national park units

that cannot charge an entrance or admission fee to retain other fees and charges. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-327)

S. 2094, to amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to more effectively use the proceeds of sales of certain items. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-328)

S. 2106, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park, Utah, to include portions of certain drainages that are under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Seep Draw owned by the State of Utah. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-329)

S. 2193, to implement the provisions of the Trademark Law Treaty. Signed October 30, 1998. (P.L. 105-330)

H.R. 678, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the sesquicentennial of the birth of Thomas Alva Edison, and to redesign the half dollar circulating coin for 1997 to commemorate Thomas Edison. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-331)

H.R. 1853, to amend the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-332)

H.R. 2000, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to make certain clarifications to the land bank protection provisions. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-333)

H.R. 2327, to provide for a change in the exemption from the child labor provisions of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 for minors between 16 and 18 years of age who engage in the operation of automobiles and trucks. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-334)

H.R. 3830, to provide for the exchange of certain lands within the State of Utah. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-335)

H.R. 3874, to amend the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to make improvements to the special supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children and to extend the authority of that program through fiscal year 2003. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-336)

H.R. 4259, to allow Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute each to conduct a demonstration project to test the feasibility and desirability of new personnel management policies and procedures. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-337)

H.R. 4655, to establish a program to support a transition to democracy in Iraq. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-338)

S. 1021, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to

preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-339)

S. 1722, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend certain programs with respect to women's health research and prevention activities at the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-340)

S. 2285, to establish a commission, in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Seneca Falls Convention, to further protect sites of importance in the historic efforts to secure equal rights for women. Signed October 31, 1998. (P.L. 105-341)

S. 2240, to establish the Adams National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-342)

S. 2246, to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by modifying the boundary. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-343)

S. 2413, prohibiting the conveyance of Woodland Lake Park tract in Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona unless the conveyance is made to the town of Pinetop-Lakeside or authorized by Act of Congress. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-344)

S. 2427, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the legislative authority for the Black Patriots Foundation to establish a commemorative work. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-345)

S. 2505, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey title to the Tunnison Lab Hagerman Field Station in Gooding County, Idaho, to the University of Idaho. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-346)

S. 2561, to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act with respect to furnishing and using consumer reports for employment purposes. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-347)

S.J. Res. 51, granting the consent of Congress to the Potomac Highlands Airport Authority Compact entered into between the States of Maryland and West Virginia. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-348)

S.J. Res. 58, recognizing the accomplishments of Inspector General since their creation in 1978 in preventing and detecting waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and in promoting economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government. Signed November 2, 1998. (P.L. 105-349)

H.J. Res. 138, appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress. Signed November 3, 1998. (P.L. 105-350)

S. 538, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities of the Minidoka project to the Burley Irrigation District. Signed November 3, 1998. (P.L. 105–351)

S. 744, to authorize the construction of the Fall River Water Users District Rural Water System and authorize financial assistance to the Fall River Water Users District, a non-profit corporation, in the planning and construction of the water supply system. Signed November 3, 1998. (P.L. 105–352)

S. 1260, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to limit the

conduct of securities class actions under State law. Signed November 3, 1998. (P.L. 105–353)

S. 2534, to clarify without substantive change laws related to Patriotic and National Observances, Ceremonies, and Organizations and to improve the United States Code. Signed November 3, 1998. (P.L. 105–354)

H.R. 3910, to authorize the Automobile National Heritage Area. Signed November 6, 1998. (P.L. 105–355)

S. 2232, to establish the Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site in the State of Arkansas. Signed November 6, 1998. (P.L. 105–356)